

DO UNTO OTHERS AS YOU WOULD HAVE THEM DO UNTO YOU—CONFUCIUS.
THE WORLD IS MY COUNTRY—TO DO GOOD MY RELIGION—TOM PAINE.
AN HONEST GOD IS THE NOBLEST WORK OF MAN—INGERSOLL.

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THE BIG VOICE HAS GOT HERE, ELI.

NOW FOR THE 100,000 READERS
FOR THE BLADE.

I write August 19th. Yesterday the big \$1.00 linotype was sent its way from New York to Lexington and may be in Lexington as I write and I expect to watch its setting up with great interest.

What I am writing may be set up by our new machine—the finest up to date variety, and in a month from the date it starts you may expect the "B. B. G. Magazine."

In one year from the day the line starts in the Blade office I want 100,000 subscribers for the Blade, and in three years from that time I want 1,000,000 readers for the Blade. I wouldn't say such things if I thought they were unreasonable. But you can see just as well as I can that strange things happen in the history of this little paper, fighting religion and liquor right in the greatest stronghold of that alliance in the whole world.

Not long ago I asked for \$500.00 to buy the smaller linotype that costs \$1,500. I might have made it answer the purpose of merely setting type for the Blade.

Soon my friends promised the \$500, but a number saw me ought to have the best, that costs \$2,250, and sure enough we will have the line \$2,250 the beginning of the Blade's career. For the Blade and the B. B. G. Magazine, and then help to pay it by doing outside work.

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You all who know me know that I am not "out for the stuff." If I gratify my personal pride and ambition was all that was to be done, I would, in the beginning of the Blade's career, have been willing to compromise with less than half what the Blade has accomplished. I do not think that any man has ever lived in this country who has more perfectly triumphed over enemies in the way that he would like to do.

By fair and square argument and by leading an exemplary life, I have shown that there was in infidel philosophy that which tended to make good and happy citizens of those who were my friends, while unhappiness seems to have followed my enemies. I do not think that any man has ever lived in this country who has more perfectly triumphed over enemies in the way that he would like to do.

The success of the Blade, the unflinching uncompromising enemy of religion and liquor, right where the Bible and the whiskey barrel and the preacher and the distiller walk together, heart to heart, as Siamese twins, is bound to impress upon these people the idea that infidelity is growing.

A honor all infidel propagandists wherever they may be, and appreciate the work of our other infidel editors, as a preacher, I would have regard for any man who is to be rewarded for his unflinching devotion and sacrifice to the cause of the oppressed of infidelity. I am that man. I have lost all, and am moneyless in my old age, as the fruit of it is supplied by the Lord and the people of the world.

As a part of the strange history of this paper, I have, I hardly know how attached to its interest, Mr. James P. Hughes, a man who had been come to my assistance in the days when I was a preacher, just as it is supplied as providentially sent, a man who in no way related to me, and upon whom I had no claim, and yet whose assistance to the fortunes of this paper are so phenomenally heroic that it is hard to be part and parcel of its fame.

But just as with all others, my ambition is not just as it is supplied as providentially sent, a man who in no way related to me, and upon whom I had no claim, and yet whose assistance to the fortunes of this paper are so phenomenally heroic that it is hard to be part and parcel of its fame.

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their assistance can do so much good, faithfully as they have done in the past.

Of course we will be glad if anybody merely gives the paper, but I don't ask that and do not think that is the best way to help it. But I do want you to work ten times as hard as ever and ten times as many of you, to get, in one year from today, August 29, 25,000 readers for the Blade, and in 3 years from today 100,000 readers for the Blade.

If you can't do more you send us your single subscription at \$1.00 each, and then \$1.00 for the Blade, and I would greatly prefer that you send \$2.50 for a club of five, or \$4.00 for a club of ten, with a premium in each case, for each club and send us to me that every infidel society in America should send a club of 100 for \$2.50.

You see from letters printed in the Blade, from all parts of the country, that the sentiment is that the Blade is getting better all the time, and we are getting the letters from people who are being converted from Christianity, Protestant and Catholic, to Infidelity, and this paper will have the finest list of writers in the world.

The infidel cause never had such a powerful disposition as before. I never intend that the Blade shall go down as 35 cents for 100—an infidel paper as much as it is a Christian one in the world, when the best of the others cost \$2.50 a year.

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TOLSTOY AND THE CZAR.

BY JOSEPHINE K. HENRY.

Paraphrasing Rev. James W. Lee, we are constrained to exclaim: "The world moves." The London Daily Express of July 10, 1901, prints an article saying that Count Tolstoy has been summoned to St. Petersburg to hold a conference with the czar relating to reforms in the Russian Empire.

For 40 years he has been the Holy See with an unpronounceable name has wielded a most unwholesome influence over three Christians. Though this czar's influence the road to Siberia has been tracked with the bleeding feet of exiles, and his tyranny has been felt in the domestic and political systems of that vast empire. His motto has been "If any man loves the community—kill him."

The present Czar Nicholas has determined on broad and liberal reforms and refuses to confer long with the Procurator of the Holy Synod.

A new disposition seems about to be inaugurated in Russia for the Great White Car has summoned the exiled and persecuted Tolstoy to a conference. Tolstoy, the most glorious champion of humanity in the world today, is invited to see the truth to the czar about the treacherous cruel tyrants of the Greek Synod, Tolstoy, the greatest man Russia has ever produced is asked to the Russian Court to turn the light on the brutal autocracy of the czar and his ministers, to free speech, free press, the right to habeas corpus, the denial of all such rights to the rights of conscience, free speech, free press, the right to habeas corpus, the denial of all such rights to the rights of conscience, free speech, free press, the right to habeas corpus, the denial of all such rights to the rights of conscience.

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received a representative from the United States and not himself right before the people of America and Tolstoy called on by the czar to help the Russian government in its extremity. The principles of Tolstoy will live and flourish when the memory of Czars shall have faded from the human mind. And so the world moves toward light and liberty. Now if President Roosevelt will call Elizabeth Cady Stanton into his cabinet and ask upon some of her ideas, he will give to our people the greatest administration in American history.

INFIDELS WHO HAVE DONE GREAT CHAR- ITY.

The preacher who never gives anything to anybody but lives in luxury, is always asking "what good infidels have done?"

I will answer:
John Howard the most famous philanthropist of the last 20 years was a great benefactor to the world. He gave great fortune to build hospitals for the sick and to ameliorate the conditions of the poor.

James Smithson was an infidel and gave \$500,000 to build the Smithsonian institute at Washington. Peter Cooper, an infidel, gave \$1,500,000 to a charitable institution for education in New York City.

George Peabody, an infidel, gave \$3,000,000 to the poor of London, \$3,000,000 to the poor of the Southern states of America and over \$100,000 to various charities.

James Lick, an infidel, gave \$1,000,000 to build hospitals in Boston, gave to California the finest telescope in the world.

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"CHARLES C. MOORE FOREVER"

WAS THE FIRST THING THE BIG
LINO SAID IN THE BLADE.

Since whatever else in this issue was written about the arrival of the new linotype, I have come to see, and am writing this on a desk in the office to be the first thing printed from it in the Blade.

Its perfection and arrangement in the office, are far beyond my most enthusiastic dream about it. And if the Blade's friends who have contributed to the purchase of the wonderful machine—the finest in Lexington—could see how much pleasure it has given to me, they would regret their generosity.

When it was arranged so that the long and rapid delivery of the Blade could be made, I was told, "Charles C. Moore forever," and Miller said, "That the first thing it ever printed, and I thanked him, and I thank you all and move to amend so as to make it read 'The Blade forever.'"

AN EX-CATHOLIC.
Is Glad He is Out of the Clutches of Rome."

Smithland, Iowa, Aug. 10, 302.
Dear Mr. Moore—It is better late than never to pay up my subscription for your good-for-nothing paper, the Christians call it. But I have paid the good money for the bad paper.

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CHARLES C. MOORE.

"THE DAMNED STUFF CALLED ALCOHOL."

I believe that alcohol, to a certain degree, demoralizes those who make it their business to sell it, and those who drink it.

I believe from the time it issues from the coldest and poisonous womb of the distillery until it empties into the hell of crime, death and dishonor, it demoralizes everybody that touches it.

I do not believe that anybody can contemplate the subject without becoming prejudiced against this liquid crime.

All you have to do is to think of the wrecks upon either bank of this stream of death—the suicides, the insanity, the poverty, the ignorance, the distress, the little children tugging at the faded dresses of weeping and despairing wives, asking for bread; of the men of genius it has wrecked; of the millions who have struggled with imaginary serpents produced by this devilish thing.

And when you think of the jails, of the almshouses, of the prisons, and of the scaffolds upon either bank, I do not wonder that every thoughtful man is prejudiced against the damned stuff called alcohol.

ROBERT G. INGERSOLL.

BLUE GRASS BLADE.

NEWTON'S AGAINST DR. HAMMER.

PUBLIC SENTIMENT AROUSED BY
EFFORTS OF INFIDELS.

Editor of Blue Grass Blade and Others
Attempts to Make It Appear
Newton Man is a Religious Martyr.

Special to the Capital.
Newton, Iowa, August 12.—Sentiment here has been aroused within the past few weeks for fear that Governor Cummins will pardon or pardon Dr. Marlan R. Hammer, sent here from here some months ago for an assault with attempt to commit murder upon the person of Oscar Heathcote. The case is well known, it having attracted attention throughout the state at the time. The movement for the release of Dr. Hammer from Fort Madison penitentiary has been started by Charles C. Moore, editor of the Blue Grass Blade the official organ of infidelity in this country, published at Lexington, Ky.

More, it has been learned from reliable sources, has taken up the case with all his might, and is so far as can be ascertained, in that of one believer in infidelity to another, for Dr. Hammer is a personal friend of Mr. Moore and at one time one of the circulators of the Blue Grass Blade in this part of the country. Once when Mr. Moore, two years ago, appeared in this city to make a speech, he was accompanied by Dr. Hammer, and the friendship of the two men formed then has never been broken.

Mr. Moore has aroused much interest in the case of Dr. Hammer throughout by publishing in his paper a story which places Dr. Hammer in the light of a martyred hero, held under custody in the Iowa penitentiary as the result of a "religious" crime, because he is a nonbeliever. So much interest has been aroused in favor of Dr. Hammer that it has been learned here that scores of names are being sent in to the governor daily asserting to blanks which Mr. Moore inserts in his paper with every issue.

Along with this knowledge it has been learned that the names sent in to the governor's office, but but nine exceptions being those of parties living entirely outside of the State of Iowa. They are as follows:

James C. Thompson, a prominent Kansas City, Mo., contractor interested in the case of Dr. Hammer, has written to the governor, Mr. T. Small, residing at Provincetown, Mass., where he runs a small bakery and pizzeria, and is a member of the school of natural healers. His letter to the governor, it is learned, was accompanied by a representative circular designed to cast reflection on the general practice of medicine.

Mr. Moore of the Blue Grass Blade claims wonderful success in himself. He admits that he has been in the penitentiary once in the state of Ohio, but claims he was not there for any reason similar to that of Dr. Hammer, and that he was pardoned by President McKinley after he had served one year of his term of years. He claims that he is the grandson of Barton W. Stone, one of the founders of the religion what is known as the Church of Christ, and that he was ordained to the office of deacon by Alexander Campbell.

During his ministry, he claims, he converted an infidel to his faith and baptized him and then he was converted by the infidel. He is a staunch admirer of Mary Mac Lane, the Montana girl, and has recently come before the public as a writer of her latest thoughts and feelings. Mr. Moore in his paper takes the stand that in Mary Mac Lane he has found his ideal woman, that she stands for all that is true, honest and best in womanhood. Mr. Moore did not create a very pleasing impression in this city, who is about two years ago, and the people generally are very much disturbed now for fear he may be instrumental in bringing about the pardon of Dr. Hammer.

Henry Silwood, the county attorney here, is making a strong effort against the pardon of Dr. Hammer, such a showing to the governor as to preclude any possibility of Hammer's release. Dr. Hammer it will be remembered, made the assault of which he was convicted after Oscar Heathcote, his victim, had appeared before the grand jury here against the defendant's son. They met on the street September 11, 1901, for after some words Dr. Hammer drew a knife and assaulted Heathcote, who was not so badly wounded but that he recovered.

Dr. Hammer was defended by E. J. Salmon of this city and McHenry & McHenry of Des Moines. The case was tried in Potosi, Mo., county Judge Bishop. It was appealed by the defense to the supreme court, where the judge felt the room white the trial was proceeding. The state argued that Dr. Hammer was not sane at the time of the assault, and that Judge Bishop should retire and prepare his instructions and that he did nothing out of the line in leaving the court room during the trial. The supreme court upheld this contention of the state, and Dr. Hammer was sent to Fort Madison last April, after his case had been decided by the higher court.

People here are of the opinion that Dr. Hammer's sentence of three and one-half years was comparatively light and one that was in favor of his release at this time. There is another indictment, it is said, ready for him if he is released. It is alleged that in recent years he drew a revolver

on several prominent men here, threatened to stab others and that he once spit in the face of a prominent man, besides calling several leading citizens the vilest names. These things have conspired to create the sentiment against Dr. Hammer. Among the men who are said to have been threatened and abused by Dr. Hammer are Drs. C. C. Moore, Perry Engle, B. M. Feltner and ex-senator Gorrell.

It is also charged by persons here that the letter which appeared in the Blue Grass Blade in behalf of Dr. Hammer some months ago was written by Dr. Hammer himself and not by the editor of the paper. Although it is not known what the governor's decision in the case will be, the efforts to avert the pardon will be continued. It is possible that a petition from the leading citizens here, protesting against such action, will be sent to the chief executive in the near future.

Inquiry at the governor's office has confirmed the facts stated above as to the case of Dr. Hammer being taken up by the editor of the Blue Grass Blade. The governor's office said that all persons seeking the pardon are living outside the state except nine as listed above. The governor's secretary states that no action has been taken in the case, and until such time as he deems the proper attitude of the governor upon the subject.

Comment.—I submit this account as a sample of Christian injustice in their dealing with infidels. Accompanying the newspaper extract was the following:

Des Moines, Iowa, Aug. 12, '02.
Hon. Charles C. Moore:—
Sir.—The enclosed piece is the way I learned of your paper.

I would like to get a copy of your paper, the Blue Grass Blade, as I am of liberal view myself. Please send me a sample copy.

Yours respectfully,
A. N. MOORE.

Looks to me like some man in Des Moines wrote that piece in the "Capital." It was written by one man in Newton it was by one who is ashamed or afraid to sign his name, and the editor who is a name better than his own—wrote it. I guess the editor is a nonbeliever. So much interest has been aroused in favor of Dr. Hammer that it has been learned here that scores of names are being sent in to the governor daily asserting to blanks which Mr. Moore inserts in his paper with every issue.

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